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North Dakota Department of Health to Host Video Conferences on Ebola

BISMARCK, N.D. – Although there is very little risk that the Ebola virus will arrive in North Dakota, the state must be prepared to act quickly in the event it is suspected of or confirmed as being here. The North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) will host a series of video conferences on August 15 and 18 to provide more information regarding Ebola.

Healthcare, higher education and business personnel have received notice of the educational presentations and should follow the instructions they received to participate. The general public may participate by arranging to attend a video broadcast at their local public health units, view the live stream on the department's website, watch on public access television where available, or listen via telephone. All conferences will begin with a presentation by NDDoH personnel tailored to the specific audience, followed by a question-and-answer session. The video conferences are scheduled for an hour and will be conducted live and archived on the NDDoH website, www.ndhealth.gov/ET/WebcastCalendar, for viewing on demand.

Live Video Conference Schedule:

- Healthcare professionals – Friday, August 15, at 9 a.m. CST
- Higher education personnel – Friday, August 15, at 11 a.m. CST
- Business leaders – Monday, August 18, at 9 a.m. CST
- General public – Monday, August 18, at 11 a.m. CST

Interested parties may view the live webcast at <http://www.ndhealth.gov/WebcastHigh.aspx>. The live web stream will begin fifteen minutes before each meeting. Participants will need Windows Media Player (or Flip4Mac for Mac users) to view the streaming video. If you participate by webcast, you will be able to ask questions by calling a toll-free number which will be provided during the presentation.

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Parties may also participate via phone by dialing in toll-free at 866.888.3385. The line will be open ten minutes prior to the beginning of each meeting. Incoming lines will automatically be muted, and instructions for asking questions will be given when the question-and-answer session begins.

For more information about how to listen to a conference or about Ebola, visit the NDDoH website at: <http://www.ndhealth.gov/disease/Ebola/Default.aspx>

Members of the media who would like more information may contact Colleen Reinke at 701.328.4619 or via email at creinke@nd.gov.

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